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### **City's Recycling Programs Honored at State Recycle Guys Awards Program**

The City of Greenville Solid Waste Division was recognized as the **2004 Outstanding Local Government Waste Reduction/Education Program** by the Department of Health and Environmental Control at the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Recycle Guys Awards Program held in Columbia on February 11, 2005.

The City received this award for implementing a number of new recycling programs and expanding existing programs and education efforts in 2004. These include:

- Initiating a business curbside recycling program, distributing bins and waste prevention literature to each customer.
- Expanding the recycling program to accept new materials including CDs, VHS tapes and used books; materials previously sent to local landfills.
- Working with the City's Street Division to incorporate mixed, broken glass into construction projects; resulting in a diversion of an additional 65 tons of material previously sent for disposal. The recycled products now replace virgin materials in construction applications throughout the city.
- Establishing two new in-house programs: An office composting program, which incorporates food scraps and paper towel waste, at the Public Works administrative offices and a full-scale recycling program at City Hall.

As a result of these new recycling programs and enhanced waste reduction education efforts, more than 115 tons of additional materials have been diverted from area landfills.

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